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# H. R. 4195

To amend the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 1998

Mr. SMITH of Oregon (for himself, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. EWING, Mr. POMBO, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. JOHN, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BOB SCHAFER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. MINGE, Mrs. CHENOWETH, and Mr. HAMILTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

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## A BILL

To amend the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Agriculture Export Re-  
5 lief Act of 1998”.

### 6 **SEC. 2. SANCTIONS EXEMPTIONS.**

7 (a) EXEMPTION REGARDING FOOD AND OTHER AG-  
8 RICULTURAL COMMODITY PURCHASES.—Section

1 102(b)(2)(D) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C.  
2 2799aa-1(b)(2)(D)) is amended as follows:

3 (1) In clause (i) by striking “or” at the end.

4 (2) In clause (ii) by striking the period and in-  
5 serting “, or”.

6 (3) By inserting after clause (ii) the following  
7 new clause:

8 “(iii) to any credit, credit guarantee, or fi-  
9 nancial assistance provided by the Department  
10 of Agriculture to support the purchase of food  
11 or other agricultural commodity.”.

12 (b) DESCRIPTION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMOD-  
13 ITIES.—Section 102(b)(2)(F) of such Act is amended by  
14 striking the period at the end and inserting “, which in-  
15 cludes fertilizer.”.

16 (c) OTHER EXEMPTIONS.—Section 102(b)(2)(D)(ii)  
17 of such Act is further amended by inserting after “to”  
18 the following: “medicines, medical equipment, and”.

19 (d) APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.—The amend-  
20 ment made by subsection (a)(3) shall apply to any credit,  
21 credit guarantee, or other financial assistance provided by  
22 the Department of Agriculture before, on, or after the date  
23 of enactment of this Act through September 30, 1999.

24 (e) EFFECT ON EXISTING SANCTIONS.—Any sanc-  
25 tion imposed under section 102(b)(1) of the Arms Export

1 Control Act before the date of the enactment of this Act  
2 shall cease to apply upon that date with respect to the  
3 items described in the amendments made by subsections  
4 (b) and (c). In the case of the amendment made by sub-  
5 section (a)(3), any sanction imposed under section  
6 102(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act before the date  
7 of the enactment of this Act shall not be in effect during  
8 the period beginning on that date and ending on Septem-  
9 ber 30, 1999, with respect to the activities and items de-  
10 scribed in the amendment.

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